Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Only regarding the educational concessions, the rule has been changed. So far as the depresaed classes in Travancore are concerned, they have passed a very complicated rule which I cannot understand. For the sake of communal friendship, amity and progress, let us go back to our old custom. The House may consider this question in a very unbiassed way.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* I rise to support the motion for grant. Though I agree fully with most of what Mr. Moothedan has been saying, I do not think it necessary to withhold this grant, because the question of continuing of the concessions used to be given before, has not yet been decided. Mr. Devassy has tabled a resolution in this House which is coming up for discussion probably today or tomorrow. That occasion can be taken by this House and also by the Hon'ble Member for Chalakkudi to discuss this at fuller length. I may also add that the previous President of this House, I mean Sir R. K. Shanmukham Chetti, in his reply given to a question of mine on the 3rd April 1941, has said that the matter will be re-considered again in the light of a special resolution of this House. I will quote the very words of his—"If the House passed a judgment on that certainly Government will consider that." This matter may better be taken up in view of the ruling of a late President that that may be considered at a full-fledged debate emanating from the resolution of Mr. Devassy. I hope Mr. Moothedan will not press the motion.

Mr. President: I may remind Hon'ble Members that that statement has been made by the present President a few minutes ago.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* I do not think my Hon'ble friend Mr. Moothedan will expect any definite reply on the issues raised by him. According to me that question is quite beyond the purview of the motion that is moved. The Hon'ble Member will understand that this House, while the order passed by the ex-Minister was in existence, allotted a certain amount for the Uplift Department. Thus, Rs. 18,000 was granted by this House.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* On a point of information, without interruption. There was no time for discussion of the budget.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* If it is such a burning question, you could have found time. The budget is passed and I am asking only for an additional allotment of Rs. 7,400. I do not think I must answer the other point. There is a resolution tabled by Mr. Devassy and the House can discuss that matter and come to a definite conclusion and then it will be up to the Government to consider. Again, I request the Hon'ble Member to withdraw the opposition, because I have already to pay Rs. 7,400 for the supply of school requisites already supplied to the students and I would request the House to grant this allotment.

Demand put and carried

2. Rs. 500 under "23—Ayurveda cost of medicines"

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 500 under "23—Ayurveda—cost of medicines". In some villages in the Chittur, Talappalli and Trichur Taluks anti-malarial work has to be undertaken. Labourers employed in Chalakkudi Irrigation project have also to be supplied with anti-malarial specific. Quinine is unavailable in the market in the required quantities. Hence treatment for Malaria is being done on Ayurvedic lines. The Ayurvedic substitute is in fact much cheaper also. The anti-malarial specific has to be manufactured on a large scale and distributed in different places of the State according to demand. The cost involved for the purpose is Rs. 500. The item could not be anticipated at the time of the preparation of the budget. Reappropriation from other heads is also not possible. Hence an additional allotment of Rs. 500 under "23 Ayurveda—Cost of Medicines" is necessary.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Is the medicine given free?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Through what agency?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Through Panchayats, Ayurveda Vaidyasalas, Municipalities, etc., and there is already a physician who will visit these places and give necessary advice.

Demand put and carried

3. Rs. 420 under "35—Uplift of the Depressed Classes—B. Educational—Maintenance of Depressed Class Hostels"

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional

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